

# Special Meeting of the Oregon Tech Board of Trustees Sunset Room, Klamath Falls Campus

June 29, 2016 4p-5:50p

## **Minutes**

**Trustees Present:** 

Chair GrahamJessica GomezDan PetersonVice Chair SliwaVince JonesPaul Stewart

Jeremy Brown Jill Mason

Bill Goloski Kelley Minty Morris

## University Staff and Faculty Present:

Brian Adair, Director of Facilities

Holly Anderson, Associate Director - Campus Life and Student Engagement

Sue Cain, Senior Budget and Planning Officer

Lita Colligan, AVP Strategic Partnership and Government Relations

Barb Conner, Director of Retention

Lori Harris, Senior Fiscal Manager

Scotty Hayes, IT Consultant

Rick Hoylman, Associate Professor Medical Imaging Technology

Jay Kenton, Interim VP Finance and Administration

LeAnn Maupin, Dean of the College of Health, Arts, and Sciences

Laura McKinney, VP Wilsonville Campus

Tanya McVay, Professor Natural Sciences

Michelle Meyer, Director of Business Affairs

Hallie Neupert, Dean of the College of Engineering, Technology, and Management

Diane Patterson, Facilities Services Business Manager

Tracy Ricketts, AVP Development and Alumni Relations

Paul Rowan, AVP Information Technology Services

Di Saunders, AVP Marketing and Communication

Farooq Sultan, Institutional Research Analyst

Carl Thomas, Director of Admissions

Terri Torres, Associate Professor Mathematics

Erika Veth, Dean of Online Learning

#### **Others Present:**

Cheyenne Low, ASOIT Malea Waldrup, ASOIT Michael Waldrup

#### 1. Call to Order/Roll/Declaration of a Quorum

**Chair Graham** called the meeting to order at 4:03pm. The Secretary called roll and a quorum was declared.

## 2. Reports

## 2.1 University

**Interim VPFA Kenton** stated the water test on the Klamath Falls campus for lead and copper showed we were well below the EPA acceptable standards; a water test is not

required in Wilsonville as the building was constructed after lead piping and welding were banned and Wilsonville tests the municipal water regularly. Radon testing will be conducted on both campuses. Other topics discussed included: faculty compensation and overload, enrollment growth, IT challenges, infrastructure projects, marketing challenges, and increasing the diversity of students and faculty/staff. He addressed the following opportunities: strong cohesive campus and community, regional presence and uniqueness of being polytechnic, and the university as a catalyst and assisting economic development.

Interim VPFA Kenton will concentrate on the following during his tenure: administrative processes and procedures, IT, new leadership and recruiting the right people, keeping finances strong, positioning the university with the state for operating and capital funding, enrollment management, fundraising, marketing, filling key vacancies, updating the student rec center, renovating Cornett Hall, upgrading the electrical and storm water systems, bringing the power plant fully on-line, OMIC, and working with KCEDA, the newspaper, KCC President, and City and County School Superintendents.

#### 2.2 Klamath Falls ASOIT

Malea Waldrup, non-traditional student representative from ASOIT, stated the ASOIT agenda for the new year includes increasing communications with students, involving students in the processes, and letting students know what ASOIT does for them. The newly elected ASOIT members are learning where ASOIT needs to be. Issues from a non-traditional perspective include: lack of child care on campus, the inability to be involved with the campus - lack of events that incorporate family and work around schedules, and the current on site housing not being conducive to family living.

## 2.3 Faculty Senate

Terri Torres stated there is a new Executive Senate: President David Thaemert, Vice-President Hugh Jarrard, Secretary Don McDonnell, and at-large members Jeff Dickson and Terri Torres. Accomplishments last year include: resolutions regarding the soccer field and the presidential evaluation, policy for library employee promotions, policy and framework for non-tenure track faculty (70% complete), policy for credit for prior learning (needs additional work), worked with the faculty compensation consultant, reviewed, approved and endorsed the general education reform model, obtained external defibrillators for all buildings on campus, and conducted a workload status study. A faculty member is on the state committee regarding text book alternatives. She gave an overview of what the faculty is interested in as far as promoting the university and growth. Risks the faculty are willing to take and be a part of include: strengthening ties with the community (students visit campus, dual enrollment), developing summer school, and learning Spanish. All juniors will soon have a project based learning requirement. Can improve relationships and communication with community college counterparts. Trustee **Brown** asked her to let faculty know the Board is proud of them receiving accolades from the NorthWest accrediting group.

## 2.4 Academic Quality and Student Success Committee

**Committee Chair Brown** recapped the meeting from today. The committee looked at the first phase of student success: recruiting students, and the cost to recruit a student. There is plenty of opportunity for growth. Presentation on the Oregon Manufacturing and Innovation Center (OMIC) project. Update on accreditation report and the need to review the policy for credit for prior learning. Update on faculty compensation study.

#### 2.5 Finance and Facilities Committee

Committee Chair Sliwa stated the committee held two meetings and has hired both an external auditor and an internal auditor. Had discussions regarding the Oregon Manufacturing and Innovation Center (OMIC) project including financial risk and organizational risk. Made recommendations to approve the Cornett Hall Renovation project, approve the budget, and approve an amended tuition and fee policy. Discussed VPFA selection and adjunct pay and received updates on the recreation center and the soccer field project.

#### 2.6 Executive Committee

Chair Graham stated the committee approved the presidential transition plan for President Maples. Selected the search firm for the President Search and approved a search committee. Decided to cancel current date of the retreat and replace it with a teleconference in September. The retreat will be rescheduled when the new president is named. Amended Resolution 15-5 which is the university mission statement; changed "Oregon Citizen's" to "Oregonians". Recommended approval of a presidential evaluation process and approval of the sale of the president's residence. The Agreement between the Foundation and the Board is finalized and was sent to the NWCCU. Discussed enrollment projections. Working on board evaluation process, trustee self-evaluation process, and a trustee orientation process.

#### 2.7 Presidential Search Committee

**Trustee Minty Morris** stated there is a portion of the board's webpage dedicated to the search including the timeline, the published leadership profile, and advertisement. She is pleased with the engagement of committee members and is thankful for the guidance and assistance from the chair and vice-chair.

**Secretary Fox** read a prepared statement from outgoing **Trustee Melissa Ceron** thanking the Board and Executive Staff for all of their work and dedication.

At 5:30pm **Chair Graham** adjourned the meeting to Executive Session per ORS 192.660(2)(i) to review and evaluate the employment-related performance of the chief executive officer, a public officer, employee, or staff member who does not request an open hearing. She stated the public meeting would reconvene after the Executive Session.

Meeting reconvened at 6:23pm.

## 3. Adjournment

**Chair Graham** adjourned the meeting at 6:24pm to June 30, 2016 at 8am.

Respectfully submitted,

Sandra Fox Board Secretary